# Biographical Sketches of Democratic Candidates

Following are biographical sketches of the nominees and expected nominees of the Democratic party for statewide office:

James B. Donovan For United States Senator

nis legal career Donovan has crammed a variety of work, from straightening out involved legal tangles for big insurance companies to assignments tinged with adventure in international relations.

He has been busy most re-cently trying to arrange with the Cuban Government the release of 1,113 invasion prisoners. Earlier this year Mr. Donovan negotiated the exchange of the U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers for the Soviet spy Col. Rudolf I. Abel.

In 1957 Mr. Donovan agreed, at official request, to defend Abel in his trial for espionage. The lawyer and his family were subjected to villification during

Mr. Donovan commented at the time: "If the free world is not faithful to its own moral code, there remains no society for which others may hunger.

After the Abel appeal was presented before the United States Supreme Court, Chief Justice Earl Warren said of Mr. Donovan: "I think I can say that in my time on this court no man has undertaken a more arduous and self-sacrificing task."

A stock, powerfully built man, Mr. Donovan at the age of 46 has silvery white hair that is receding a bit above his prominent forehead. He is a prominent forehead. He is a cigarete smoker and a moderate digner to party emblem or drinker. drinker.

#### Attended Harvard

rich was norn in the Bronx on whe, theresa, have 11 children feb. 29, 1916, the son of a ranging from 18 months to 18 prominent surgeon. He gradu years. He was once a choir ated from Fordham College and singer in Binghamton's St. Patthen attended the Harvard Law rich's Church. School.

In 1943 he entered the Navy In 1943 he entered the Navy as an ensign and rose to the rank of commander. During World War II he was general counsel to the Office of Strategic Services. After the war he was in charge of visual evidence, including captured enemy motion pictures, at the Nuremburg trial of Nazi war criminals.

In recent years Mr. Donovan has been a member of the law firm of Watters & Donovan. Last year he was appointed a member of the New York City Board of Education and is its vice president.

Mr. Donovan lives at 35 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, with his wife and four children. He plays golf in the 90's and col-lects rare books and illuminated

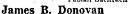
#### John J. Burns

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four-year term in 1952.

He has been able to work in he has been able to work in harmony with the Valley Devel-opment Foundation, a group of businessmen, mostly Republi-cans, with whom he has cooperated to bring urban renewal to downtown Binghamton. His political opponents blame him for the city's steadily rising tax rate and for some assessment policies that allegedly favored his friends.

Since it is tough to be a Democrat in Binghamtno, his identify him as a Democrat.

Mr. Burns is 41 years old and

is a Roman Catholic. He and his He was born in the Bronx on wife, Theresa, have 11 children

### Arthur Levitt

For Controller

Mr. Levitt is an organization Mr. Levitt is an organization. Democrat whose faithfulness to the party led him into an unuccessful primary fight against Mayor Wagner last year when the Mayor was battling party eaders in the city.

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First elected Controller in 1954, when he ran on the ticket leaded by former Gov. W. Averell Harriman, Mr. Levitt was he only Democrat elected to tatewide office in 1958, when Governor Rockefeller defeated Mr. Harriman by a near-record lurality.

Mr. Levitt is a steady, serius man who has the reputation of keeping his nose to the grind-tone. Nevertheless, he is con-idered popular upstate, where the has shown interest in imoving school systems and in he financial problems of local overnments.

uring his college days, Mr evitt keeps in shape by work March 11, 1911. His father was g out three times a week at a dentist and his mother th mnasium. He is a regula peragoer, and reads extensive especially in Shakespeare. Mr. Levitt, who is Jewish, arried and has one son.

## Edward R. Dudley

In his varied and distinguished career, Mr. Dudley ha ened in local government, ederal Government and her public agencies.

In 1942, the year after hi aduation from St. John's Lav thool in Brooklyn, he was ap pinted an assistant New York state attorney general. Late it 143 he left that post to join the legal staff of the Nationa association for the Advancement of Colored People.

That post brought him into urt battles for the admission f Negroes to Southern univertics, to outlaw discrimination interstate transportation and equalize the pay of Negro d white teachers in Southern

The fight for equal pay unoubtedly was close to his heart. s a young man he taught at a one-room school for 56 Negro uppils near Staunton, Va., for 560 a month, while white 0 a month, while white achers were getting nearly

or on President Truman's appointment in 1948.

During his five years in the beria he won a reputation for being keenly interested in the country's public health, engineering, agricultural and educative with the property of the property of

a dentist and his mother the sister of Edward A. Johnson, the first Negro elected to the New York State Assembly. He studied at the segregated

Johnson C. Smith University in North Carolina and at Howard University before coming to New York to study law.

Tall and well-built, Mr. Dudley keeps fit by playing golf and tennis and by swimming He is adept at sleight-of-hand tricks, is an excellent bridge player and is an amateur chef

His wife is the former Miss Rae Elizabeth Olley, a New York City public school teacher They have one son, Edward Jr., a student at Occidental College

John F. Scileppi

For Court of Appeals

Shileppi) has been a well-regarded judge since 1940. He served first in Municipal Court in Elmhurst, Queens; in Queens County Court starting in 1952 and, as a result of court reorganization, in Supreme Court since Sept. 1.

He has also been an arden! Elk, Exalted Ruler of Queens-

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Mr. Dudley left the association in 1945 for a two-year stint as executive assistant and legal curses to the Governor of the Irgin Islands. He became Ambassador to Liberia and this cuntry's first Negro Ambassador to President Truman's appointment in 1948.

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